

Appendix C - Excerpts of planning objectives from the SFI Standards.

Objective 1. To broaden the implementation of *sustainable forestry* by ensuring long-term harvest levels based on the use of the *best scientific information* available.

Performance Measure 1.1. *Program Participants* shall ensure that long-term harvest levels are sustainable and consistent with appropriate *growth-and-yield models* and written plans.

Indicators:

1. A long-term resource analysis to guide forest management planning at a level appropriate to the size and scale of the operation, including
 - a. a periodic or ongoing forest *inventory*;
 - b. a *land classification* system;
 - c. soils *inventory* and maps, where available;
 - d. access to *growth-and-yield modeling* capabilities;
 - e. up-to-date maps or a *geographic information system (GIS)*;
 - f. recommended sustainable harvest levels; and
 - g. a review of nontimber issues (e.g., pilot projects and economic incentive programs to promote water protection, carbon storage, or *biological diversity conservation*).
2. Documentation of annual harvest trends in relation to the sustainable forest management plan.
3. A forest *inventory* system and a method to calculate growth.
4. Periodic updates of *inventory* and recalculation of planned harvests.
5. Documentation of forest practices (e.g., planting, fertilization, and thinning) consistent with assumptions in harvest plans.

Objective 12. To broaden the practice of *sustainable forestry* by encouraging the public and forestry community to participate in the commitment to *sustainable forestry* and publicly report progress.

Performance Measure 12.3. *Program Participants* with forest management responsibilities on *public lands* shall participate in the development of *public land* planning and management processes.

Indicators:

1. Involvement in *public land* planning and management activities with appropriate governmental entities and the public.
2. Appropriate contact with local stakeholders over forest management issues through state, provincial, federal, or independent collaboration.

Objective 13. To promote continual improvement in the practice of *sustainable forestry* and monitor, measure, and report performance in achieving the commitment to *sustainable forestry*.

Performance Measure 13.1. *Program Participants* shall establish a management review system to examine findings and progress in implementing the SFI Standard, to make appropriate improvements in *programs*, and to inform their employees of changes.

Indicators:

1. System to review commitments, *programs*, and procedures to evaluate effectiveness.

2. System for collecting, reviewing, and reporting information to management regarding progress in achieving SFI Standard *objectives* and *performance measures*.
3. Annual review of progress by management and determination of changes and improvements necessary to continually improve SFI conformance.